

**Seminario
Angiogenesi tumorale**

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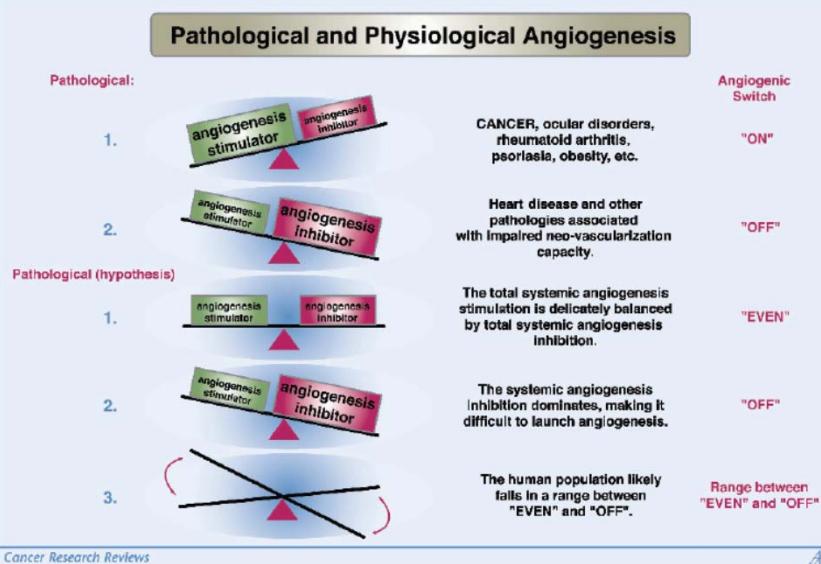
M. Judah Folkman (1933-2008)

Scientist, surgeon and creator of the field of angiogenesis research.

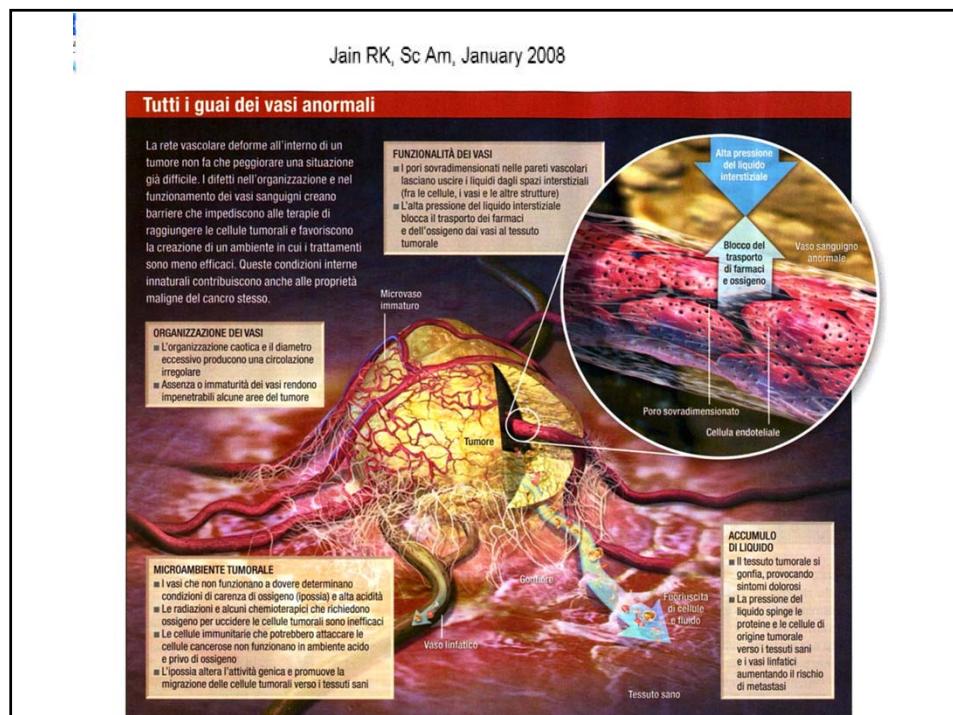
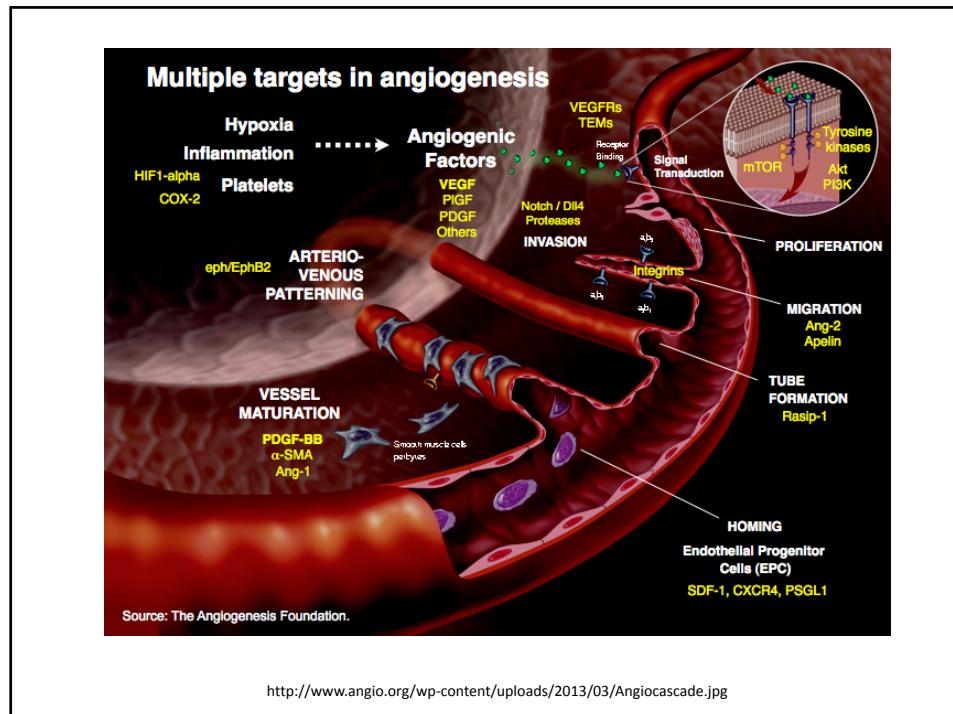


Che cosa è l'angiogenesi?

- **Angiogenesi:** reclutamento di cellule endoteliali a partire di vasi pre-esistenti.
- **Vasculogenesi:** attivazione di precursori endoteliali

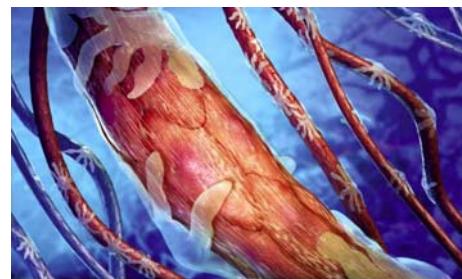
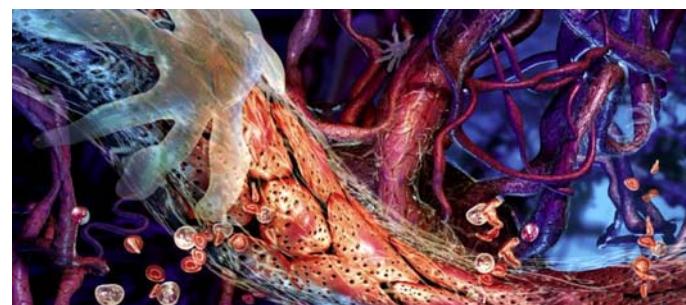
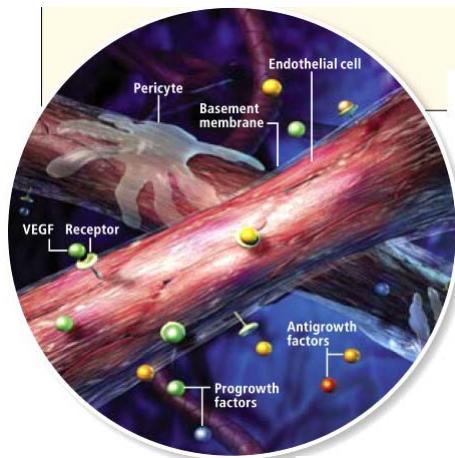


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Le cellule endoteliali formano vasi sanguigni in risposta ai segnali di molecole che stimolano e inibiscono la crescita. I vasi sono sostenuti dai periciti e dalla membrana basale.



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The Angiogenic Process

The diagram illustrates the angiogenic process in a blood vessel. It shows the following steps:

- Endothelial cell activation and survival (eg, VEGF, bFGF)**: Leads to the degradation of the **Basement membrane**.
- Basement membrane degradation (eg, MMPs, uPAR)**: Allows **Endothelial cell proliferation and migration (eg, VEGF, bFGF)**.
- Endothelial cell proliferation and migration (eg, VEGF, bFGF)**: Leads to **Tube formation, elongation, and remodeling (eg, Integrins)**.
- Tube formation, elongation, and remodeling (eg, Integrins)**: Leads to **Maturation (pericytes associated with vasculature)**.
- Intravascular modulators of angiogenesis** are also shown influencing the process.

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Normal and Tumor Vasculature

Normal Blood Vessels	Tumor Blood Vessels
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maturation factors present (eg, Ang-1)¹ Less dependent on cell survival factors² Less permeable³ Supporting cells present² Reduced integrin expression¹ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Growth and survival factors (eg, VEGF, bFGF) present¹ Leaky³ Fewer supporting cells² Preferential expression of $\alpha\beta_1$, $\alpha\beta_3$, and $\alpha\beta_5$ integrins¹
Properties of Tumor Vasculature <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Tortuous, dilated, poorly organized -Perivascular cells abnormal -Hyperpermeable <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Results in increased interstitial pressure •Decrease in diffusion of drugs into the tumor 	

1. Griffen. *Pharmacol Rev*. 2000;52:237.
 2. Blau and Berth. *Nat Med*. 2001;7:531. Adapted with permission from MacMillan Publishers.
 3. Jain. *Nat Med*. 2001;7:987. Adapted with permission from MacMillan Publishers.

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